Notice of Determination

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

State Clearinghouse Number: 2005072045

Project Title: North Creek Crossings at Meriam Park Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. BUT-15446-R2)

Project Location (include county): The project is located at Little Chico Creek, in the County of Butte, State of California; Latitude 39.734933 Longitude -121.795158 (WGS 84 datum, decimal degrees); Assessor's Parcel Number 002-180-198.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number BUT-15446-R2, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Laurie Doyle, Executive Vice President Central California Housing Corporation (dba Affordable Housing Development Corp.).

The Project includes the construction of a 160-unit affordable apartment community with associated infrastructure on a 14.84-acre site in the southwestern corner of the north side of the Meriam Park development area, north of Little Chico Creek. Utilities to be installed include water, gas, electrical, internet, sewer, and storm drain system and associated infrastructure to be constructed include roads, sidewalks, and a bike path. The Project will also include the installation of two bio-retention facilities and a single outfall into Little Chico Creek, which will receive flow from the above-mentioned storm drain system. No rip rap or structures will be placed in Little Chico Creek and no in-stream work will be required. Access to the site will occur from Notre Dame and there will be no construction, staging or access within the Meriam Park Preserve to the north.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, executed the above Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement on the date signed below and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1.	The project \square will / \boxtimes will not have a significant effect on the environment. This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
2.	CDFW considered the environmental impact report prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3.	Mitigation measures ⊠ were / ☐ were not made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4.	A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan \square was / \boxtimes was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
5.	A statement of overriding considerations \square was / \boxtimes was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6.	Findings were / were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091

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The final environmental impact report prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's record of execution the above Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

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